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SUBJECT: KAZAKHSTAN: DEMARCHE DELIVERED ON PROPOSED GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD (GPAF)

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¶1. (U) Sensitive but unclassified. Not for public Internet.

¶2. (SBU) In response to the GPAF demarche request, Econoff delivered reftel points and non-paper to Talgat Kaliyev, Head of the America's Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA). Kaliyev expressed his support, agreeing that as a major global grain producer and exporter, Kazakhstan could play a significant role. He did, however, request further clarification regarding the possible organizational structure, specifically by whose initiative the organization would be created. Finally, Kaliyev said that for Kazakhstan to consider membership in this and other organizations, it would need to receive an official invitation. Kaliyev promised to pass our non-paper to the MFA Director of Multilateral Cooperation Barlybay Sadykov. He said he would report back to Econoff any comments offered by Sadikov.

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